GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1032
ANSWERED ON:28.11.2006
ENHANCEMENT OF STRENGTH OF HOME GUARD
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) Whether the Government has received any proposal from Government of Karnataka to enhance the strength of Home Guards in State;

(b) If so, the details thereof;

(c) Whether a reminder was also received on December 08, 2004 in this regard;

(d) If so, the action taken in this regard;

(e) Whether the Government has also received any such proposal from other State Governments;

(f) If so, the details thereof, State-wise; and

(g) The time by which final decision is likely to be taken?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI S. REGUPATHY)

(a) : Yes, Sir.

(b) : Government of Karnataka had requested in 1995 for increasing the strength of Home Guards from 18,700 to 25,000.

(c) : Yes, Sir.

(d) :After consideration, the Government of India agreed to raise the strength from 18,700 to 21,700 in March 2005.

(e) : Yes, Sir.

(f)&(g) :A few other States/UTs also requested for enhancing their strength of Home Guards and after consideration of their demands, it was decided in March, 2005 to enhance their strength as detailed below:

State/UT	Earlier Strength	Revised Strength
A&N Islands	654	800
Andhra Pradesh	12903	15903
Assam	20407	23907
Bihar	54612	55612
Jharkhand	22790	25490
Chandigarh	1132	1352
Goa	500	750
Karnataka -	18700	21700
Chhattisgarh	6006	7345
Mizoram	760	1260
Sikkim	546	766
Uttar Pradesh	117009	118348

A proposal from Uttranchal for an addition of 1979 to their target strength of 6411 Home Guards received recently has not been accepted since the State has not so far enrolled Home Guards upto the earlier target strength itself.